

APRIL 2, 2014 NEWSLETTER

Helms Elementary

A Dual Language Magnet School



From the Desk of

Principal, Ms. Diana Del Pilar:

Dear parents: Thank you for your participation in our Principal Profile Meetings. This is a very busy time of the year with State Testing, District Testing, Magnet applications, and end of year celebrations around the corner. Please bring your child to the school everyday and on time 8:00 am. We have a 96.5% average and a 98% goal.

Librarian, Ms. Karla Hardin:

Congratulations to our 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students who participated in the Name That Book contest on Friday, March 28th, 2014. The students read over 30 books, competed with 9 other schools and received 3rd place. We want to give a shout out to the following students for their hard work and dedication: J'vion Miles, Luke On, Audrey Marston, William Wright-Artigas, Henry Wilcoxon, Davis Brooks, Chase Adams and Alexander Tate.

PTA Announcements

Popcorn sales:

Thank you for your support of the popcorn sales. We made \$3000 for the Helms PTA to support the school. Congratulations to Ms Gabaldón's class for winning the smoothie party. Pick up will be on Monday April 7 from 3-4pm and 5-6pm. Please come to the front office window to collect your order.

Popcorn order helpers:

Looking for volunteers to help sort and handout popcorn orders. We sold 1300 bags which is awesome but we need help!

Day: Monday April 7. **Time:** Any time between 12-4pm and if someone can stay between 5-6pm for after school parents.

Any time would be appreciated. The more helpers the faster it will go. Let me know if you can make it. Feel free to forward this onto any other parents that might be able to help.

Contact Natasha Heard at 2816500767 or heard.natasha@yahoo.com

Parent meeting:

Thank you to all the parents that came to meeting on Monday. We now have the parents that will be representing the parent body on the interview panel.

Upcoming Events

- **April 2: 5:30 – 7:00 PM @ Conf. Rm.**
PTA Board Meeting
- **April 5: 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM:**
5th Gr. Students STEM Workshop
- **April 6: 2:00 – 4:00 PM:**
Wetlands & Garden Community Work Day
- **April 6-12:**
National Volunteer Week
- **April 7: 3:00-4:00 & 5:00-6:00 PM**
Popcorn Pick up Day
- **April 9:**
PreK Progress Reports go home
- **April 10:**
Spring Individual Pictures
(Grades PK – 2nd)
- **April 11:**
Spring Individual Pictures
(Grades 3rd – 5th & Mrs. Allietta's)
- **April 11: 1:40 PM @ Cafeteria**
Bilingual Spelling Bee
- **April 13-19:**
Helms Week of the Young Child
- **April 13-19:**
National Library Week
- **April 15: 9:30 AM**
PreK Filed Trip Houston Zoo
- **April 15: 3:45 – 5:15 PM**
SDMC Meeting
- **April 15: 5:30 PM @ Library**
PTA General Meeting
- **April 16:**
National Librarian Day
- **April 18:**
Winter Storm Make-up Day
- **April 22:**
Earth Day
- **April 22:**
STAAR Math (Grades 3rd & 4th)
- **April 23:**
STAAR Reading (Grades 3rd & 4th)
- **April 23:**
STAAR Science (5th Grade)
- **April 25-27: @ Double Lake Area**
Helms Family Camp Out
- **May 2: 6:30 - 10:30 PM @ CRG**
Spring Auction: A Storybook Affair
- **May 14: 6:00 PM:**
Parent Input Meeting

Announcement

Class group pictures:

The class group pictures and spirit pennants have arrived. If you made a purchase, your child will receive this today.